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Tripartite Committee

Draft Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2017Telephone Conference



Goar Alvarez Committee Chair

C. Erica White Executive Director Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Dr. Alvarez, at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call - Those present during the meeting included the following:

Committee Members

Goar Alvarez, PharmD – Chair Kristen Weitzel, PharmD Jeenu Philip, BPharm Julie Wilkinson, PharmD Amy H. Schwartz, PharmD, BCPS Jeffrey Mesaros, PharmD, JD Carsten Evans, Ph.D., RPh Michael Jackson, RPh Debra B. Glass, BPharm Mark Mikhael, PharmD Carmen Aceves Blumenthal, RPh Jamie L. Fairclogh, MPH, PhD, MSPharm Darice E. Richard, PharmD Fritz Hayes, BPharm

Attorneys

Board Counsel: Rachel Clark, Assistant Attorney General

Board Staff:

C. Erica White, Executive Director Savada Knight, Regulatory Supervisor Jessica Bennett, Board Administrative Staff

Ms. White opened the committee for discussion by providing a brief background and the purpose of the committee. Ms. White introduced Ms. Bennett as the Board staff liaison for routing continuing education providers and programs for review by the Committee.

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1. Continuing Education Approval Process Review

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Dr. Weitzel inquired about process for feedback to the Board office or criteria for reviews. Ms. White advised that the Board office does have a document for items to look for when reviewing and evaluating the programs, but most are listed in the rule. Members can provide approval or feedback through CE Broker. Notes can also be posted in CE Broker.

Dr. Mikhael inquired about the expectations for approving provider applications. Ms. White explained that if additional information is requested or indicated by members, then Ms. Bennett will contact the applicant. If the applicant does not provide additional information and the members are unable to approve the CEs, then the application must go before the full Board for review. All information should be uploaded to CE Broker.

Dr. Alvarez asked Ms. White or Ms. Bennett to go over the process for the new members. Ms. Bennett explained that she accesses the materials in CE Broker and transfers the materials to a group. If materials are missing or needed, the member will make a note in CE Broker and Ms. Bennett will request the information from the applicant. Ms. Bennett advised that she is having difficulty getting responses back from applicants.

Dr. Schwartz inquired about programs that have the ACPE accreditation. Moving forward will they be weeded out?

2. Registered Pharmacy Technician Training (RTTP) Program Approval Process Review

• Overview of Rule 64B16-26.600, F.A.C.

Ms. Bennett explained that RPT programs are submitted by paper and licenses are approved through LEIDS rather than a CE credit. The Committee does not review RTTP programs.

3. **Questions and Answers**

Ms. White will forward the checklist for what to look for when evaluating a program. Will locate and forward the manual described by Dr. Mikhael.

Mr. Jackson inquired about deleting messages in the CE Broker portal message box. Concerned about deleting messages that go to other members of the group. Ms. White will contact Marcia Mann.

Ms. White asked about future meetings. Rules says at the call of the Chair. Dr. Alvarez would like to have a discussion with Board staff and then determine when to meet again. Dr. Aceves recommended sending the materials to the old members. Dr. Alvarez said to send the materials to all of the members.

Mr. Philip asked about the timeframe for the approval process. Ms. White recommends 14 days to ensure sufficient time within the 45 days to obtain additional information if needed. Dr. Aceves and Ms. Glass agree.

Dr. Wilkinson has recently rejoined the Committee and has not received any notifications or links to CE Broker. Ms. Bennett will check with CE Broker.

Dr. Alvarez thanked the Board staff for help with this process

4. Adjourn

Mr. Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Glass seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.